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2014 HOLIDAY CAMPAIGN NEWS RELEASE DUI ENFORCEMENT

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YOU BETTER WATCH OUT, I'M TELLING YOU WHY: COPS ARE CRACKING DOWN ON DRUNK DRIVING

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

Edgewood, Florida— This time of year, with all the holiday parties and festive occasions, many partygoers will be drinking. If you're celebrating with alcohol this holiday season, **Edgewood Police Department** has a message for you: *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.* Members of the **Edgewood Police Department** will be actively searching for drunk drivers during December 12, 2014-January 1, 2015. The facts are grim: Every year more than 10,000 people are killed by drunk drivers in America. Last reported, there were 830 people killed in crashes involving at least one driver or motorcycle operator with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher; 26 of those deaths occurred on Christmas Day. On average, a third (31%) of all crash fatalities in America involves drunk driving, which jumps to 36 percent on Christmas day.

"It's time for all drivers to get the message, that drunk driving isn't a victimless crime. You could kill yourself or someone else, or get a DUI and go to jail." If you plan on drinking at a holiday party, bar, or restaurant, let someone else do the driving – a designated driver, a taxi or public transportation.

Happy Holidays,

Chief Chris Francisco

